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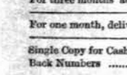


THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under contract with Government, despatch steamers as above with mails, passengers, and cargo, every fourteen days.

The steam-ship Himalaya, 1,341 Tons, 250 H.P., Commander J. H. Atkinson, will be despatched on Tuesday, the 12th October, at noon.

| | Oct. | | Oct. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Leave Bombay | 12 | Leave Galle | 24 |
| ,, Cajwar | 13 | ,, Negapatam | 22 |
| ,, Mangalore | 14 | ,, Madras | 25 |
| ,, Cannanore | 15 | ,, Coconada | 27 |
| ,, Vingorla | 15 | ,, Vizagapatam | 28 |
| ,, Beypore | 15 | ,, Bimlipatam | 28 |
| ,, Cochin | 16 | ,, Gopalpore | 29 |
| ,, Tuticorin | 17 | ,, False Point | 30 |
| ,, Colombo | 18 | Arrive Calcutta | 31 |

This route is the most expeditious and economical for passengers for the Neilgherrie district, Bangalore, and Madras, who can land at Calicut for Beypore, and proceed from thence by rail.

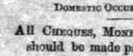
Passengers for Calcutta can take the same route' picking up the steamer at Madras.

No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF VIA KURRACHEE.

(Interchanging cargo and passengers at Bussorah, to and from Baghdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.)



THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under mail contract with Government, will despatch a steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at Kurrachee, Gwadur, Muscat, Bunder Abbas, Linga, Bushire, Fao, and Bussorah.

The steam-ship Burmah, 1,026 tons, 200 H. P., Commander J. T. Lewis, will be despatched on Monday, the 4th October, at noon.

| Up. | Oct. | Down. | Oct. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Leave Bombay | 4 | Leave Bussorah | 22 |
| ,, Kurrachee | 8 | ,, Fao | 22 |
| ,, Gwadur | 9 | ,, Bushire | 24 |
| ,, Muscat | 13 | ,, Lingah | 25 |
| ,, Bunder Abbas | 14 | ,, Bunder Abbas | 28 |
| ,, Lingah | 15 | ,, Muscat | 30 |
| ,, Bushire | 18 | ,, Gwadur | Nov. 1 |
| ,, Fao | 19 | ,, Kurrachee | 3 |
| Arrive Bussorah | 20 | Arrives Bombay | 6 |

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

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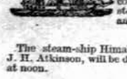
STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE



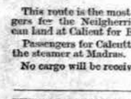
THE British India Steam Navigation Company (Limited), under mail contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, despatch a steamer to Kurrachee every Monday at noon.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST.

Steamers LORD CLYDE, GENERAL HAVELOCK, GENERAL GUTRAM, and SEAGULL.



ONE of the above Steamers will be despatched every week to and from the Malabar Coast, calling at the intermediate Ports on the following days :—

| Down Steamers. | | Up Steamers. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Leave Bombay | Saturday. | Leave Cochin | Sunday. |
| ,, Ratnagherry | Sunday. | ,, Beypore | Monday. |
| ,, Malwan | ,, | ,, Calicut | ,, |
| ,, Vingorla | ,, | ,, Tellicherry | Tuesday |
| ,, Goa | Monday. | ,, Cannanore | ,, |
| ,, Carwar | ,, | ,, Mangalore | Wednesday |
| ,, Compta | ,, | ,, Coompta | Thursday. |
| ,, Mangalore | Tuesday. | ,, Carwar | ,, |
| ,, Cannanore | Wednesday. | ,, Goa | ,, |
| ,, Tellicherry | ,, | ,, Vingorla | Friday. |
| ,, Calicut | ,, | ,, Malwan | ,, |
| ,, Beypore | ,, | ,, Ratnagherry | Saturday. |
| Arrive Cochin | Thursday. | Arrive Bombay | Sunday. |

The Steamer General Havelock, Captain Robinson, will be despatched according to the above table on SATURDAY, the 2nd October. For freight and passage apply to

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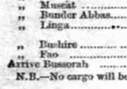
WEEKLY COMMUNICATION WITH ENGLAND.

On Saturday, the 2nd October, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.



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Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon before 10 A.M. on the day of the Steamer's departure, in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the new Dock Head at Mazagon for the convenience of Passengers at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

ALFRED PARISH, *Actg.* Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Rampart Row, Bombay, 25th September, 1869.

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The s. s. NEERA, 2,200 Tons, Captain Hanscom, will be despatched on MONDAY, the 18th October.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Will be Published early To-morrow Morning.

BOMBAY GAZETTE OVERLAND SUMMARY.

The Bombay Gazette Overland Summary, prepared for despatch by each Overland Mail for Europe, contains, in addition to all the News of the Week, a specially-written Market and Freight Report, and a well-digested Summary of Events.

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Will be Published To-morrow Morning.

THE BOMBAY PRICE CURRENT AND SUMMARY OF TRADE.

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The Bombay Price Current contains :—

A Specially-Written Market Report.
Freight Report, with statement of Ships chartered, &c.
Export Manifests of Vessels which have sailed during the Fortnight.
Quotations of Imports and Exports, and Customs' Duties.
Comparative Summary of Exports from Bombay, up to date, as per Ships' Manifests, with the total Exports for the three months, and for the same period as far back as 1858.
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Share List and Rates of Exchange.
List of Vessels in Bombay Harbour on the date of publication, and of arrivals and departures of Vessels during the fortnight.

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NEWSPAPER FILE MISSING.—A File of the "Bombay Gazette" for the half-year from January to June 1867, belonging to the "Bombay Gazette" Office, has been missing for several months. The person to whom the File was lent will oblige by returning it immediately.

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A Reward of Rs. 20 will be paid to whoever will restore the Desk to the undersigned, or give such information as may lead to its recovery.

HENRY CONDER,
Bombay, 29th September, 1869. General Traffic Manager.

OFFERS for the PURCHASE of the remainder of the LEASE of the Offices in Elphinstone Circle, lately in the occupation of the DELHI and LONDON BANK, will be received at the NEW BANK OF BOMBAY (Limited).

Bombay, September, 1869.

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The Chowk Hotel is the highest bungalow on the hill, and is therefore well exposed to the breeze. There is a large Verandah, from which the view is very pleasing, and also an excellent Billiard Table. Attached to the Hotel is a fine range of Bedrooms, and the furnishing and thorough cleanliness maintained will, the Proprietors hope, continue to secure the comfort of Visitors and afford satisfaction. Care is taken to keep on stock a good supply of Wines, Spirits, &c., of the first quality.

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NOTICE is hereby given, that THUCKER LUCKMIDASS COREJEE has contracted to SELL a piece or parcel of GROUND, with the houses and premises standing thereon, situate within the Fort of Bombay, on the western side of Modeekhana Street, registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 699, and by the Collector of Municipal Taxes under No. 47, containing by admeasurement 151 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the east by public road called Modeekhana Street, on the west by a passage for sweepers, on the north by the house of Arab Shaik Dhan, and on the south by the house of Nacoda Jeetalkar. Any persons therefore having any claim upon the said property, by way of mortgage, inheritance, or otherwise, are requested to make the same known to us, the undersigned, at our Office on the Rampart Row, in the Fort, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed and the persons making any claim after the expiration of the said time of 14 days will be deemed to have waived their right, if any.—Dated this 30th day of September, 1869.

MANISTY & HURRELL,
Purchaser's Solicitors.

AUCTION SALE of LANDED PROPERTY at BHOOEWADA 2ND ROW.—On WEDNESDAY, the 13th October, at 4 P.M., Messrs HEERALALL & Co. are instructed to SELL by PUBLIC AUCTION, on the premises, in pursuance of the Power of Sale vested in a certain Indenture of Mortgage, bearing date the 20th May, 1865, by order of the Mortgagee, Jairaz Muncoujee, on account and risk of the Mortgagor, Chintamon Gungadhur, all that piece or parcel of Fazendarree ground, with the messuage, tenement, or dwelling-house standing thereon, situate, lying, and being at Bhoocewadda 2nd Row, fronting on the south side thereof, in the substrict of Bhoolehwur, assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 27, containing by admeasurement 155 1/9 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded as follows :—On or towards the north by the public gutter or lukdeore passage, on or towards the south by the public road called Bhoocewadda 2nd Row, on or towards the east by the property of Vizbookhandas Atmaram, on or towards the west by the house of Jumnadass Luckmidass.

For further particulars apply at the office of the undersigned, No. 9 Hummum Street, Fort.

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AUCTION SALE of LANDED PROPERTY at TANK STREET.—On SATURDAY, the 9th October, at 4 P.M., Messrs. HEERALALL & Co. are instructed to SELL, in pursuance of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage, bearing date the 29th May, 1865, by order of the Mortgagee, Sugnam Vugajee, goldsmith, on account and risk of the Mortgagors, Memon Ahmed bin Sullamon, Bace Sarrabai, and Mahomed bin Soomar, the widow, son, and legal personal representatives of Memon Soomar bin Soolamon, deceased, all that piece or parcel of Government Land or Ground, with the messuage, tenement, or dwelling-house erected, built, and standing thereon, situate, lying, and being at Bhoocewadda 2nd Row, on or towards the west by the house of Jumnadass Luckmidass.

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| No. 1 A.—Six Marches :— | | |
| | "Nevara," Quick March | Sowerthal. |
| | "Crown Prince," Do. | Do. |
| | "La Perichole," No. 1 | Burckhardt. |
| | "La Perichole," No. 2 | Do. |
| | "Der Recrut," Quick March | Gung'l. |
| | "Corso," Do. | Libert. |
| No. 2.—Selection, | "Robinson Crusoe" | Offenbach. |
| No. 2 A.—Fanfare Militaire | | Rossini. |
| | La Perichole Quadrille | Coote. |
| No. 3.—"Erin" Fantasia on Irish Airs | | Basquit. |
| No. 4 A.—Potpourri, "La Part du Diable" | | Auber. |
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The above Tug is lying at Butcher's Island.

For terms and conditions of sale apply to the under-signed.

W. T. CROCKETT, Lieut., late I. N.,
Acting Marine Storekeeper.

Marine Storekeeper's Office, Bombay, 30th September, 1869.

## NOTICES.

THE HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.—NOTICE.—The office of this Corporation has THIS DAY been REMOVED to Treacher and Company's New Building, Esplanade.

R. STEVENSON,
Bombay, 27th September, 1869. Agent in Bombay.

NATIONAL BANK of INDIA (Limited).—NOTICE.—The TRANSFER BOOKS of this Bank will be CLOSED from the 28th instant to the 4th proximo, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
JAMES WINDRAM, Manager.

Bombay, 27th September, 1869.

NOTICE.—BANK of INDIA (in Liquidation).—NOTICE is hereby given, that a FOURTH DIVIDEND, at the rate of Rs. 3¾ (Rupees Three and three quarters) per Share on the Old, and Rs. 2½ (Rupees Two and one quarter) per Share on the New, Issue, will be paid to the Shareholders at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 12, Elphinstone Circle, on WEDNESDAY, the 28th instant, between the hours of 11 A.M., and 3 P.M., and on every following Wednesday during the same hours.

J. A. J. SHAW,
BERAMJI NAOROSJI, } Liquidators.

No. 12, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, 21st July, 1869.

FORT PRESS COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given, that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Office of the Secretaries, on TUESDAY, the 5th October, at 3 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of considering the advisability of purchasing a portion of Machinery belonging to the Scinde Press Company.

EWART, LATHAM, & Co.,
Secretaries & Treasurers.

Church Lane, 27th September, 1869.

NOTICE.—THE ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY having SUSPENDED PAYMENT in accordance with a Telegram received from Head Office, London, PREMIA payable at this Branch will still CONTINUE to be RECEIVED by the undersigned, on behalf of the Provisional Liquidator authorized by the Court of Chancery to receive the same, but such Premia will be returned on 1st January 1870 should re-construction or arrangements with another Company be not carried out.

By order of Directors,
D. McL. SLATER, Secretary,
Bombay, 19th August, 1869. For Provisional Liquidator.

COLABA PRESS COMPANY (Limited).—The Directors of the above Company beg to intimate, that they are prepared to receive offers for the purchase of a portion of the Company's Property, situated at Doongree Cooly Street, Chinch Bunder (either with, or without Presses) formerly known as Shinchund Modelchand Screws.

Offers will be received by the undersigned, who will also furnish any information that may be required.

By order of the Board Directors,
For the London, Asiatic, and American Company Limited,
Secretaries,
CHARLES E. BENN, Joint Manager.

Elphinstone Circle, 15th September, 1869.

THE BOMBAY MECHANICS' BUILDING COMPANY (Limited).—NOTICE.—An ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. W. Nicol and Company, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay, on TUESDAY the 5th October, 1869, at 4 P.M.—

1st.—To receive the Report of the Directors and the Audited Accounts for the year ending 31st July, 1869.

2nd.—To declare a Dividend.

3rd.—To elect Directors for the current year in the place of those retiring by rotation.

4th.—To elect Auditors for the current year, and to fix their remuneration.

By order of the Board of Directors,
J. R. K. JOHNSON, Secretary.

N. B.—The TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from September 20th to October 20th 1869, both days inclusive.

Bombay, 20th September, 1869.

MAZAGON LAND AND RECLAMATION COMPANY (Limited).—NOTICE is hereby given, that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Mazagon Land and Reclamation Company (Limited) will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, in Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 1st day of October, at 3 P.M., for the purpose of passing Special Resolutions to the following effect, viz.

1st. That the Mazagon Land and Reclamation Company (Limited) be wound up voluntarily.

2nd. To appoint a Liquidator or Liquidators, and fix his or their remuneration.

3rd. To confer on the Liquidator or Liquidators authority to exercise all the powers given by Article 174 of Act X of 1865.

4th. That the Liquidator or Liquidators of the Company which may hereafter be appointed be and hereby are authorized and empowered, and called upon to sell the assets, rights, business, effects, and good will of the Mazagon Land and Reclamation Company (Limited), and to carry out and perform the agreements, leases, and obligations of the said Mazagon Land and Reclamation Company (Limited).

By order of the Board of Directors,
RITCHIE, STEUART, & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, 16th September, 1869.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.—NOTICE.—For the convenience of the Passengers who may wish to reach BYCULLA and BOMBAY early in the morning and return late in the evening than the present train arrangements afford, two extra Passenger Trains, as under, will run daily, commencing from the 1st October next, until further notice, between Bombay and Tannah, calling at all the Intermediate Stations.

| Up Trains. | A.M. | Down Trains. | P.M. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Tannah ..... Dep. | 6-30 | Bombay ..... Dep. | 8-30 |
| Bombay..... Arr. | 7-45 | Tannah ..... Arr. | 10- 0 |

HENRY CONDER,
Bombay, 27th September 1869. General Traffic Manager.

RE ESTATES of LIMJEE MANOCKJEE and COWASJEE MANOCKJEE and Messrs. MANOCKJEE LIMJEE and COMPANY.—THIRD DIVIDENDS will be PAYABLE as undernoted at 25 Sassoon's Building, Apollo Street, Fort, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th, and THURSDAY, the 9th days of September instant, and on every following Wednesday and Thursday, between the hours of 11 and 3, on all claims admitted under the Trustees, viz.:—On the Estate of Limjee Manockjee, at the rate of 5 per cent.; on the Estate of Cowasjee Manockjee, at the rate of 5 per cent.; on the Estate of Manockjee Limjee and Company, at the rate of 5 per cent.

H. R. CORMACK,
RAGHOONATH NARRAYEN,
Trustees of the above Estates.

Bombay, 1st September, 1869.

RE ESTATES of SORABJEE PESTONJEE FRAMJEE, NOWROJEE NANABHOY FRAMJEE, MERWANJEE JAMSETJEE, and Messrs. SORABJEE and NOWROJEE NANABHOY.—DIVIDENDS, on all claims adjusted and admitted by the Trustees, will be payable as undernoted, at No. 12, Elphinstone Circle, Fort, on MONDAY the 4th, and THURSDAY the 16th days of September, instant, and on every following Monday and Thursday, between the hours of 11 and 3, viz. :—

On the Estate of Sorabjee Pestonjee Framjee, Second and Final, at the rate of 18¾ per cent.

On the Estate of Nowrojee Nanabhoy Framjee, Second and Final, at the rate of 12 per cent.

On the Estate of Merwanjee Jamsetjee, Second and Final, at the rate of 11 per cent.

On the Estate of Sorabjee and Nowrojee Nanabhoy, Third Dividend, at the rate of 1 per cent.

J. J. SHAW,
CURSONDASS NENSEE, } Trustees of the above Estates.

Bombay, 8th September, 1869.

MUNICIPALITY of BOMBAY

NOTICE to CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS are hereby invited for the construction of a Fountain and the erection of an Iron Railing with a Stone Base, Gates, &c., in the Elphinstone Circle, in the Fort of Bombay.

Specifications, sections, and specification of Railing, &c., may be inspected, and the form of Tender and Bill of Quantities may be obtained at the office of the undersigned.

Tenders written on the per we printed forms should be sent in on or before 12 o'clock on Friday, the 8th day of October, 1869, addressed to A. T. Crawf—, Esquire, Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, Sale Street, Fort.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

By order of the Municipal Commissioner,
C. THWAITES, C. E.,
Acting Executive Engineer, Bombay Municipality.
Bombay, Executive Engineer's Office, 25th September, 1869.

IN the HIGH COURT of JUDICATURE at BOMBAY.—Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction.

In the matter of the Indian Companies Act, 1866, and of the BOMBAY OMNIBUS and GENERAL CONVEYANCE COMPANY (Limited.)

Upon reading the Affidavit of George Manson, the Liquidator of the abovenamed Company, sworn on the 27th day of September instant, and on hearing Mr. Hurrell, of the firm of Messrs Manisty and Hurrell, on behalf of the Liquidator of the abovenamed Company, I do order that all Creditors of, and Claimants against the abovenamed Company, do on or before the Twelfth day of October next send in their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts, claims, and demands, in writing, to the undersigned, the said Company, at the Office of the Company, in Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, or in default thereof they may be finally excluded and barred from all further claims against the said Company; and I do further direct that this order be advertised once in the "Government Gazette," and three times in the "Times of India," "Bombay Gazette," "Jam-i-Jamshed" and "Bombay Samachar," respectively.—Dated this 27th day of September, 1869.

MANISTY and HURRELL,
Solicitors for the Liquidator of the Bombay Omnibus and General Conveyance Company (Limited).

C SARGENT,

IN the HIGH COURT of JUDICATURE at BOMBAY.—Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction.

In the matter of the "Indian Companies Act 1866" and of the Eighth Bombay Laudable Society, an unregistered Company.

Alexander Brown, Robert Roberts, Venayeckrao Juggonnathjee Sankerzett, Soondeerao Raghoonath, and Framjee Nesserwanjee, the Directors of the Society.. } Petitioners.

All persons having claims on the above Society, or the assets thereof, and whose claims have not already been admitted, are required on or before the 27th day of October 1869 to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Attornies, if any, to William Gilmour Hall and Soondeerao Raghoonath of Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, the Official Liquidators of the Company, and, if so required, by notice in writing from the said Official Liquidators, are by their Attornies or Agents to come in and prove their said debts or claims, at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Wednesday the 27th day of October, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of Messieurs Rimington, Hore, and Langley, Attornies for the said Official Liquidators, at Apollo Street, Bombay, is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon the debts and claims —Dated this 28th day of April, 1869.

J. W. ORR,
Prothonotary.

RIMINGTON, HORE, & LANGLEY,
Attornies for the Official Liquidators.

## WINES, SPIRITS, BEER, &c.

CUTLER, PALMER, & Co.,
WINE MERCHANTS
TO
HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN
AND
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES.

DEAN LANE—BOMBAY.

Established in Bombay in the Year 1842, and in London and Bordeaux 1815.

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| LONDON HOUSES | Wholesale and for Export only—Tower Bonded Vaults. Retail—Charing Cross Railway Arches. |
| BORDEAUX HOUSE | Wholesale and for Export—Place du Champ de Mars. |

REPRESENTATIVES IN

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| China, Calcutta, Madras, | Colombo, Kurrachee, New York, | New Zealand, Manilla, New Orleans. |

WE respectfully solicit a continuance of the commands of MESSRS. GENERAL MERCHANTS, and EUROPEAN RESIDENTS of WESTERN INDIA, to whom, from the extensive nature of our business, we can offer better terms and better value than any other House in Bombay.

Being IMPORTERS on the LONDON and BORDEAUX Markets, we are, of necessity, in the most favourable position to supply the public with genuine Wines and Spirits on favourable terms, and from our experience, derived from over FIFTY YEARS' trading in Bombay, we confidently assert our ability to please all tastes, and we solicit comparison with competitors' Brands at our quotations.

We subjoin our LIST OF SELECTED WINES for this market, and beg to intimate—

1st. That we cannot execute orders for less than 1 dozen quarts, or 2 dozen pints of either one of them, Liqueurs excepted: these in not less quantities than ½ dozen pints or quarts.

2nd. That our Wines and Spirits are procurable from every respectable General Shopkeeper in Bombay and at Out-stations; they, however, fix their own selling prices for them.

3rd. That our quotations are for delivery from our Godowns' where full examination of all Still Wines prior to delivery is allowed, but we do not take the risk of subsequent breakage.

4th. That our advertised quotations for all Sparkling Wines do not provide for the rejection of ullaged or broken bottles likely to be found in Cases, on arrival, after a long sea voyage. We guarantee each Case to contain its full complement of sound Bottles at time of shipment, but cannot guarantee loss arising from atmospheric or climatic influences; we take this risk by adding Rs. 4 per dozen quarts, and Rs. 2½ per dozen pints to our quotations.

Our Sparkling Wines are not to be equalled at our quotations; we invite comparison.

CLARETS.

(Our own Brand and Shipping.)

| | Qts. per doz. | Pts. per doz. |
|---|---|---|
| A1—Chateau Latour or Mouton. Gold Capsule, Labelled & Branded | Rs. 30 0 | Rs. 16 0 |
| Chateau Rauzan, Black capsule, | ,, 23 0 | ,, 14 0 |
| Chateau Leoville, Blue capsule, | ,, 22 0 | ,, 12 0 |
| Chateau Palmer, Blue capsule, | ,, 22 0 | ,, |
| Chateau Larose, Yellow capsule, | ,, 18 8 | ,, 10 8 |
| St. Julien, Burgundy capsule, | ,, 17 8 | ,, 10 0 |
| Medoc, Red capsule | ,, 15 8 | ,, 9 0 |
| Medoc, White capsule, | ,, 13 8 | |
| Sauterne, Red capsule, | ,, 22 0 | |

BURGUNDIES—RED AND WHITE.

(Very Choice—Our own Brand and Shipping.)

| | |
|---|---|
| Chambertin, Labelled and Branded | Rs. 32 0 Rs. 17 0 |
| Nuits, ditto | ,, 29 0 |
| Macon, ditto | ,, 21 0 |
| Chablis, ditto | ,, 22 0 |

CHAMPAGNES.

The finest DRY CHAMPAGNES that can be shipped.

(Our own Brand and Shipping.)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Magnums, Finest Dry | Labelled | Rs. 74 0 |
| Finest Dry Sparkling, Gold Foil, | ,, | ,, 36 0 Rs. 19 8 |
| Fine Sparkling, Silver Foil | ,, | ,, 32 0 ,, 17 8 |
| Good Sparkling, Silver Foil for Ball purposes | ,, | ,, 27 0 ,, 14 8 |

GERMAN WINES.

(Our own Brand and Shipping.)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Nonpareil Sparkling Hock and Moselle, Gold foil, Labelled and Branded | Rs. 36 | to 19 8 |
| Sparkling Hock and Muscatel Moselle, Silver foil, | ,, 32 | ,, 17 8 |
| Moselle, Still, Marcobrunner | ,, 34 | ... |
| ,, ,, Braunberger | ,, 25 | ... |
| Hock, ,, Johannisberger | ,, 34 | ... |
| ,, ,, Ruedesheimer | ,, 26 | ... |
| ,, ,, Hochheimer | ,, 23 | ... |

SHERRIES.

Specially selected for tropical consumption.

(Our own Brand.)

| | |
|---|---|
| Amontillado, very choice and superior | Rs. 32 0 |
| Amoroso, very choice, full flavoured, soft, pale | ,, 28 0 |
| Sherry, Grego seal, full bodied, light gold colour, nutty and dry | ,, 22 0 |
| do. Blue seal, very pale and dry and delicate | ,, 22 0 |
| do. Brown seal, pale dry and delicate | ,, 22 0 |
| do. Yellow seal, pale and dry, an excellent Dinner Wine | ,, 18 8 |
| do. White seal, ordinary Dinner Wine | ,, 15 0 |
| Marsala, Virgin Pale | ,, 15 8 |
| Madeira, East India (one voyage) very choice | ,, 33 0 |

PORTS.

(Our own Brand.) Qts. Pts

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## COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

### SHARE MARKET.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

ACTIVE inquiry for Back Bay shares at Rs. 580, Colabas at Rs. 1,740, and Mazagons at Rs. 1,230 for cash. Market steady.

### BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

#### BANKS.

| Number of Shares. | Nomi. value of sh. | Paid up. | Last dividend. | Names. | Cash Rates per Share. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Rs. | | Rs. p. a. | | |
| 100,000 | 100 | all | 10 p.ct. | Agra Bank | par. |
| 22,000 | 1,000 | all | 8 p.ct. | Bank of Bengal | 1650 |
| 10,000 | 500 | all | 6 p.ct. | Ditto of Bombay New | 625‡ |
| 10,000 | 500 | 100 | | Ditto 2nd Res. Issue | 220 |
| 3,250 | 1,000 | all | 12 p.ct. | Ditto of Madras | 1,000 |
| 30,000 | 250 | all | 5 p.ct. | Chartered Mercantile Bk. of I. L. & China | 340 |
| 40,000 | 200 | all | 6 do. | Chartered Bk. of I. & C. | 210 |
| 37,000 | 250 | 125 | 8 do. | National Bank of India | 138 |
| 60,000 | 250 | all | 12 do. | Oriental Bank | 425 |

#### LAND COMPANIES.

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 14,000 | 3,000 | all | Rs. 65 | Colaba Land Co. | 1735 |
| 10,300 | 1,000 | all | Rs. 30 | Elph'st'ne Land | 1015 |
| 10,300 | 1,000 | 650 | 11-14 | Do. New | 655 |
| 8,000 | 500 | 125* | Nil | Prove Land & Pier Co. Ld | 210 |
| 2,000 | 5,000 | 4,100 | Nil | Mazagon Land | 1230 |
| 5,000 | 2,000 | 1,200 | Nil | Port Canning | 280 |

#### PRESS COMPANIES.

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 150 | 5,000 | 2,850 | 35 ps. | Akbar Cotton Press Co. | 2,325 |
| 200 | 2,000 | 1,100 | 200 ps. | Albert Co. Kurrachee | 800 |
| 250 | 2,500 | 850 | 200 ps. | Alexandra Press Co. | 620 |
| | 12,000 | 11,000 | 150 ps. | Apollo Press Co. | 8,200 |
| 200 | 2,000 | all | 375 do. | Bombay Press Co. | 2,075 |
| 200 | 500 | all | 93½ do. | Do. New | 525 |
| 600 | 1,388 | all | 800 ps. | Colaba Press Co | 11,000 |
| 350 | 2,000 | all | ... | East India Press Co | 1,100 |
| 150 | 8,500 | all | 1000* | Fort Press Co. | 10,200 |
| 200 | 2,000 | 1,800 | 100 ps. | Framji Cowasji Press | 1,275 |
| 200 | 5,000 | all | 425 ps. | Hydraulic Press Co. | 3,400 |
| 1000 | 5,000 | 2,000 | 100 ps. | Kurrachee Press Co. | 900 |
| 2,500 | 1,000 | 900 | | Mofus. Press & G. Co. | 280 |
| 120 | 2,500 | all | 350* | Prince of Wales Press | 2,700 |
| 225 | 2,000 | 750 | ... | Victoria Press, Madras | 1,250 |
| 150 | 2,000 | all | ... | Tinnevelly Press Co. | 1,650 |

(* Per share for the half-year.)

#### SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 400 | 2,000 | 1,700 | 50 | Albert Mills Co. | 870 |
| 900 | 2,500 | all | 96* p.a. | Alliance Spinning | 1,500 |
| 100 | 5,500 | all | 80 | Bombay Co. | 2,300 |
| 900 | 1,000 | all | 40 p.c. | Bombay United | 740 |
| 800 | 300 | all | ... | Bronch Mills | 260 |
| 300 | 5,000 | all | ... | Cowla Spinning | 1,200 |
| 700 | 2,000 | all | 150 p.a. | Great Eastern | 1345 |
| 2,500 | 1,000 | all | 50 | Manockji Petit's | 700 |
| 800 | 2,500 | all | ... | Oriental | 1,240 |
| 600 | 2,500 | 2,300 | ... | Royal | 1,400 |

(* For the half year.)

#### RAILWAY COMPANIES.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| ... | £20 | 18.3.6 | 5 p.c. |
| ... | £20 | 09.1.5 | do. |
| ... | £ 6 | 05.10.2 | do. |
| ... | £10 | 1,000 | do. |
| ... | £15 | 06.5.1 | do. |

G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock 226
Do. New £20 shares 198
Do. ... ...
B. B. & C. I. Railway Co. 110½
Do. New Shares 195

#### MISCELLANEOUS.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,000 | 2,500 | 1,500 | | Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation 350 |
| 4,000 | 50 | all | 5 | Mechanics' B'ld'g Co. 35 |
| 500 | 2,000 | 300 | 9 | Kurrachee Landing and Shipping Company 190 |
| 2,000 | 500 | all | Nil | Treacher & Co. 240 |

#### BANKS IN LIQUIDATION.

| | Date of L'dation. | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 500 | 30 Jan. '56 | Bank of Bombay | 50 |
| 100 | 13 ... | Do. China | 5½ |
| 200 | 35 Sept. '67 | B'bay Trdg & B'kg | 6 |
| 200 | 40 Sept. '67 | Brokers' Bank | 15 |
| 250 | ... Mar. '66 | Central Bank | 5 |
| ... | ... ... | East India Bank's | 15–16 |
| 200 | 10 Feb. '67 | Indian Peninsula | 6 |
| 200 | 63 May '67 | Royal Bank | 12 |
| 198 | 60 Apr. '67 | Old Financial | 8 |

#### COMPANIES IN LIQUIDATION.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3,200 | 1,750 | Nov. '66 | Back Bay Co. | 580 |
| 3,500 | 2,400 | ... | B'bay & Bengal S. S. | 100 |
| 5,000 | 2,400 | ... | Bombay Ship Co. | 100 |

#### EXCHANGE.

| On | Terms. | Rate. |
|---|---|---|
| London | At sight | 1s. 11¾d. |
| London Banks | 6 months' sight | 1s. 11 11/16d. |
| Do. Credits | 6 Do. do. | 1s. 11 13/16d. |
| Do. Documents | 6 Do. do. | 1s. 11 15/16d. to 2s. |
| Calcutta | At sight | 100 |
| Do. | 30 days' sight | 100 |
| Do. | 60 days' sight | 99 |
| Madras | At sight | 100 |
| Do. | 30 days' sight | 99½ |
| China | 60 Do. do | 224 |

#### BANK OF BOMBAY.

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| Government Securities | 4 per cent |
| Mercantile Bills | ... |

#### PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

| | |
|---|---|
| Sovereigns each | Rs. 16-6 |
| Bank of England Notes | ,, 10-4 |
| Gold Mohurs | ,, 220 |
| Mexican Dollars | ,, 206½ |
| Silver Bullion | ,, 13-1 |
| Do. Rupees | ,, 1 0 |
| Do. Bullion | ,, 1 0

## "THE ALBERT."

THE collapse of the office, the *Pall Mall Gazette* remarks, was clearly due to a reckless extension of business. Nothing seems to have been thought of except how to multiply the amount of premiums, without reference to the liabilities thereby incurred:—

"Not content with the issue of individual policies, the managers launched out into wholesale purchases of assurance contracts. One company after another was thus absorbed, but while the annual sum of premiums was enlarged, the expenditure expended also, and at a ruinous rate. The secret of this policy is not far to seek. Mr. Kirby, the manager, was mainly paid by a per-centage on the premiums; and every amalgamation was celebrated by a distribution of douceurs among the gentlemen concerned. In one case, £25,000 was so divided between three officials of a bought-up company, the directors also pocketing their £200 a-piece. As much as £15,000 is said to have been awarded to Mr. Sheridan in another instance, and Mr. Price, the actuary, said he could read a long list of grants of this kind to different persons."

The *Daily News* points out that for seven years the company was steadily losing money until the total reached £1,298,333, and yet during all those years the Albert was held forth to assurers as the best and most successful of offices, and to keep up the delusion, dividends and bonuses were distributed to the amount of more than £90,000:—

"A circular was issued to certain of the recipients of bonuses in 1863, in which extraordinary credit is claimed for the scrupulous care with which the distribution of bonuses is kept within safe limits. 'Some offices,' it is said 'have gone to extremes in reference to bonuses, and have vied with each other as though it were of more importance that an office should declare a large bonus than that it should be well able to meet its claims by deaths, thereby perverting the real object of life assurance. The Albert will not be dragged into this undue competition, but will secure business safely, and in spite of it.'"

To the question, why was this disastrous business so recklessly and perseveringly carried on? the answer must be—Because it suited the purpose of the late manager:—

"While the policy-holders, annuitants, and shareholders were being undone, Mr. G. G. Kirby was taking handsome per-centages and buying freehold estates. Mr. Kirby was the original projector of the company; under its various titles it was always his company. He prescribed the deed of settlement which made him managing director for life with a right to £5 per cent. upon all premiums received, besides minor advantages, such as a salary of £400 a year, and a residence in Waterloo-place. Now, the figures given in the report enable us to see how this arrangement worked as regards Mr. Kirby. In 1855 the premiums amounted to £14,037 and Mr. Kirby's commission was £700. The next year, the first amalgamation, that with the Beacon, took place, whereupon the premiums rose to £17,102, and Mr. Kirby's commission to £850. In 1857 the National Guardian Assurance, the London and County, and Times Companies were amalgamated, and the premiums rose to £52,000, and Mr. Kirby's commission to £2,600. In 1858 the Bank of London Association was absorbed, and the premiums rose to £69,000, and Mr. Kirby's commission to £3,450; all these commissions being in addition to Mr. Kirby's salary, and collateral advantages of his position. In 1867, however, the directors seem to have got alarmed; besides losing money with frightful rapidity they had got deeply into Mr. Kirby's debt, and were obliged to come to a sort of compromise with their terrible creditor. There are people, probably to whom it will be some satisfaction to read in Mr. Price's report that of the debts due by the company to general creditors, 'about £14,000 is due to the estate of the late Mr. George Goldsmith Kirby.'"

## MILITARY AND NAVAL MEMORANDA.

It is stated that the 200 Martini-Henry rifles which are about to be issued to the troops for trial will be disposed of as follows:—One hundred will be sent to India, to be divided among the three presidencies; 50 will go to Canada, as the station which, as regards climatic conditions, stands in the most direct opposition to India; and the remainder will be issued to the troops at home. The arms will be fired as much as possible, moved from one station to the other, taken on the march, passed from regiment to regiment, and subjected to as many of the vicissitudes of actual service as can be imitated or produced in peace time. About a million rounds of ammunition will be manufactured for this trial; but the strengthened or "bottle-necked" cartridge is not yet decided upon, and it will therefore be necessary to supply the long cartridge, which is not unlikely to prove somewhat weak on service. That the "bottle-neck" or shortened cartridge will ultimately be preferred is not doubted, and it is unfortunate that some of these cartridges, with arms to match, could not have been issued at the same time as the others for comparative trial.

It is understood that the Indian field equipment committee have recommended the adoption of the modified French rifling in place of the Woolwich rifling originally proposed. Two riflings were in competition—the first, a modification of the French groove, suggested by Colonel H. Maxwell, Royal Artillery, superintendent of the gun factory at Cossipore, the other, that form of groove known as the "Woolwich." The French groove gave slightly better accuracy and a somewhat lower trajectory, but was thought that the wear of the guns after continued firing was somewhat greater with the French rifling. And as the question of wear is one of importance, the committee in their preliminary report recommended the Woolwich system; but when the two guns came to be exactly measured to the thousandth of an inch, it was found that the modified French groove had really worn less than the Woolwich groove, and the guns will therefore be rifled in accordance with this experience. The question of ammunition is still in abeyance, awaiting the report of the Dartmoor Shrapnel versus Segment Committee, but as that report was signed on Saturday, August 28, the uncertainty on this point cannot be of much longer duration.

The hired ship Carlisle Castle, Captain A. Cooper, R.N.R., 1458 tons, one of Messrs. Green's Blackwall fleet, arrived at Spithead on Sept. 1 from Calcutta, after a long and tedious voyage of 161 days, during which she experienced a continuation of light winds, almost a calm. She left Calcutta on March 27, and has brought home 18 military invalids, seven time-expired men, three prisoners, four soldiers' wives, and 14 children, under the command of Captain Slade, Rifle Brigade, and medical charge of Dr. Lewen, R.H.A. Three men and one child died on the voyage. The Carlisle Castle also brought the following officers and passengers:—Colonel Hennessy, R.A., lady, and two children; Major M'Bean, 93rd; Major and Mrs. Sheffield; Captain Jarrado, 106th; Captain and Mrs. Matson and three children; Surgeon and Mrs. Parr and two children; Dr. and Mrs. Guthrie; Mrs. Soady and three children; Mrs. Dickson and two children; Mr. and Mrs. O. Snow and child; Mr. Allen Brown and four children; Mr. and Mrs. Field and two children; Mrs. Harris and five children; Mrs. Firth; Mr. Grant; Mr. C. H. Oldfield; Mr. C. Thompson; Mr. E. Gordon; Mr. Benley; and Mrs. Lewen and two children.

It is stated to have been decided by a special mandate, overruling the order of the Horse Guards, that the Life Guards, as the Sovereign's bodyguard, are to take the right of the Royal Horse Artillery on all occasions, mounted or dismounted.

The following English officers intend to be present at the autumn evolutions of the Prussian army:—General Codrington, Major-General Carey, Colonel Lennox, Colonel Newdegate, Colonel Shute, Colonel Coke, Colonel Walker, Captain Hall, Captain Bridges, and Captain Milligan.

The Duke of Cambridge has conferred the new appointment of military controller in the Chatham district on Assistant-Commissary-General W. Fulford Adams, who has entered on the duties of the office. Assistant-Commissary-General Thomas E. M'Clintock, who had previously been named as having received the appointment, has been ordered by the Field-Marshal Commanding-in-Chief to assume the duties of paymaster only for the Chatham district.

A man of the 2nd battalion 5th Fusiliers, named Timothy Gibson, of the E company, made a determined attempt to commit suicide at the Permanent Barracks at Aldershott, on August 29. It appears that about 3 o'clock Gibson was lying in his bed in the barrack-room, when he suddenly jumped up, and said he would have a shave. He then took down his razor and shaving cup, and commenced to lather his face, but instead of shaving he drew the razor across his throat, and cut it in a shocking manner, the blood gushing forward and spattering the barrack-room wall. The men in the room seeing what Gibson had done, seized him and took the razor from him before he had time to inflict a second wound. On the razor being taken out of his hand he said, "Why did you not let me finish it?" on which he fell to the ground. A surgeon was soon in attendance, and under his direction Gibson was carried on a stretcher to the hospital, where he lies in a hopeless condition. His rifle was found to be loaded with ball cartridge.

The sentence of a court-martial which recently assembled at Aldershott for the trial of Sergeant Edward Fuller, of the 2nd battalion 23rd Royal Welsh Fusiliers, on a charge of attempting to commit suicide, has been promulgated on parade in presence of the regiment. The prisoner having been found guilty was sentenced to be reduced to the rank and pay of a private sentinel, to undergo an imprisonment with hard labour for 672 days, and to forfeit all claim to former and future service pension and rewards. The attempt at suicide was made in May last, at Brecon, South Wales. He has disfigured himself very much, having shot away a portion of his nose and right jaw.

A handsome testimonial has been presented by some of the cavalry brigade at Aldershott to their former chaplain, the Rev. C. A. Assheton Craven. The testimonial consists of a richly-chased silver salver, value £80, and was forwarded to Mr. Craven on the breaking up of the cavalry brigade through Major-General White, C.B.

On August 31 the finding and sentence of a garrison court-martial, which assembled at Aldershott camp on Aug. 25 for the trial of Private Charles Hill, 2nd Battalion 2nd Queen's on charges connected with having loaded his rifle and threatened to "die for" a comrade soldier named John Kean, of the same regiment, was promulgated. The court found the prisoner guilty, and sentenced him to 672 days' imprisonment with hard labour; but on account of his youth and previous good character, the confirming officer Lieutenant-General the Hon. Sir James Yorke Scarlett, G.C.B. remitted 365 days of the imprisonment.

The Channel fleet arrived at Gibraltar on August 31. All well.

There died at his residence, Peel-street, Manchester, on Monday, Aug. 30, in the 89th year of his age, David Flight, formerly sergeant in Her Majesty's 61st Regiment of Foot. He went through the Desert of Arabia to Egypt in the year 1800, under the command of Sir David Baird; and in 1803 went from Egypt to Malta, thence to Sicily, then to Portugal, Spain, and France—in fact, through the Peninsular campaign—under the command of the late Duke of Wellington. He was in 12 general actions, besides many skirmishes. He was twice wounded—once in the head by the splinter of a bomb-shell at the storming of the garrison of Salamanca, and once in the neck by a musket ball at the battle of the Pyrenees. At the battle of Talavera he took command of his own company, when all the officers and sergeants of the company were killed or wounded but himself. He was in the army 21 years and four months, and has been a pensioner upwards of 50 years.

## BOMBAY.

"THE INDIAN TRAVELLERS' GUIDE" for October will be ready to-day (Friday) at noon.

ASSISTANT SURGEON LYON, 3rd Physician Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy Hospital, has been allowed privilege leave of absence from 1st to 31st October 1869.

THE INDUS FERRY AT GOBLA, in the Ghotekee talooka of the Shikarpoor collectorate, is declared to be a public ferry under Bombay Act II. of 1868.

AHMEDABAD.—The Judges of the High Court have permitted the adjournment, from the 15th to the 30th October, of the Court of Small Causes at Ahmedabad.

AHMEDNUGGUR.—The Judges of the High Court have permitted the adjournment, from the 15th to the 30th October, both days inclusive, of the Court of Small Causes at Ahmednuggur.

TORTURING A HORSE.—Mr. Showell yesterday fined a buggywalla in the sum of Rs. 30, in default to suffer a month's imprisonment, for cruelly torturing his horse at Duncan road.

A NEW GUZERATHEE PAPER.—The *Jam-i-Jamshed* states that a weekly Guzerathee paper will shortly be started in Bombay, and will be called the *Bombay Punch*.

TRIAL-TRIP.—The troop transport Malabar went out on a trial-trip yesterday morning and returned in the evening. She leaves on the 8th instant with the Royal Welsh Fusiliers.

FEMALE NORMAL CLASS AT AHMEDABAD.—A female normal class, says an Ahmedabad paper, has already been opened at Ahmedabad, under the superintendence of an experienced European female teacher, who was brought from England by Miss Mary Carpenter.

THE P. AND O. Co.'s S.S. SALSETTE, Captain Tomlin, will sail to-day for China with 1,292 chests of Malwa opium and the following passengers:—For Singapore—Mr. G. H. Egleston. For Hongkong—Mr. J. M. Somjeebhoy, child, and servant.

MR. MOROBA CANNOBA.—It is officially notified in the *Government Gazette* that the Chief Justice and Judges of the High Court of Judicature have been pleased to admit Rao Bahadoor Moroba Cannoba as a vakeel of the Court.

THE MINT.—The value of silver ready for coinage in the Bombay Mint at the close of last week was Rs. 47,08,910, the value of the silver not assayed being Rs. 4,90,537; of the total, Rs. 46,52,000 belonged to the Currency Department.

THE REV. MR. WALFORD has been suffering for several days from severe bilious fever, which has left him so weak that his medical adviser forbids him to attempt, for some time, to undertake any kind of duty.—*Our Paper* (Kurrachee) Sept. 24.

THE BOMBAY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.—The Council of His Excellency the Governor of Bombay will meet in the Council House at Poona for the purpose of making laws and regulations, on Monday, the 4th day of October 1869, at mid-day.

THE HOMEJEE CURSETJEE PRIZE (consisting of books to the value of Rs. 200) for the best competitive English poem, subject "The Indus," has been awarded to Mr. Jehanghirshah Erachshah Kohiyar, of the Elphinstone College.

MR. MOROBA CANNOBA'S APPLICATION.—Yesterday, at the Fort Police Court, Rao Bahadoor Moroba Cannoba appeared before Mr. Nana Morojee, and obtained summonses against Pooma Lalla and Dooga Dewa, Marwarees, for using abusive language towards him near the Small Cause Court on Tuesday last.

INQUEST.—A Coroner's inquest was held yesterday at Dhobie Talao concerning the death of a Parsee named Furdoonjee Bhicajee. Yesterday morning deceased dived into a well to take out a pot. He came up the first time with a cocoanut. He dived a second time, but never came up. The jury found that the deceased had met with his death by being accidentally drowned in a well.

INDO-EUROPEAN TELEGRAPH.—The Director of the Indo-European Telegraph forwarded a telegram to Government on Wednesday, reporting that the cable communication was perfect to Fao; that the Turkish line was interrupted beyond Semavah; and that the Persian line was right to Tabreez. The latest dates from Great Britain, via Turkey, were 17th September; via Russia 17th September.

HIGH COURT.—In supersession of previous notification it is notified that the October recess of the High Court, Appellate Side, will be from Thursday the 21st of October to Tuesday the 16th of November, both days inclusive. The Registrar's Office will be open daily from 2 to 5 P.M., except on Saturdays, for the disposal of emergent business. The Court will sit on Monday, the 8th of November, for the disposal of criminal business. In supersession of another previous notification it is notified that the October recess of the High Court, Original Side, will be from Thursday, the 21st of October to Tuesday, the 16th of November, both days inclusive. The offices of the Court will be open from 2 to 4 P.M. daily, except on Saturdays, for the disposal of emergent business. No plaints will be received except by permission of the Judge who will attend in Bombay for the disposal of emergent business.

MORTUARY RETURNS.—The total number of deaths registered during the week ending Tuesday, 28th September, was 312, being an increase of 6 as compared with the preceding week, 39 more than the total of the week ending 29th September 1868, and 20 less than the mean of the corresponding period in the previous five years. During the week 110 births were reported.

The following table shows the principal causes of death in the different districts of the city:—

| Section or Sub-Section. | Population by Census of 1864. | Cholera. | Small-pox. | Measles. | Fever. | Other diseases. | Accident & Violence. | Unknown Causes. | Total, exclusive of Still-born. | Total of Deaths in the week exclusive of Still-born. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Colaba | 19,161 | ... | 1 | ... | 5 | 2 | ... | ... | 8 | 3 |
| Fort, Southern | 14,353 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | ... |
| Fort, Northern | 39,238 | ... | ... | 5 | 4 | 2 | ... | ... | 11 | 2 |
| Esplanade | 7,839 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 | ... | ... | 3 | ... |
| Market | 75,402 | ... | ... | ... | 10 | 10 | ... | 1 | 21 | 15 |
| Mandvee | 41,152 | ... | 1 | ... | 6 | 9 | ... | ... | 16 | 8 |
| Chuckla | 41,442 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 14 | ... | ... | 18 | 22 |
| Oomberkharee | 63,020 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 28 | ... | ... | 33 | 21 |
| Dongree | 60,256 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 3 | ... | ... | 8 | 6 |
| Dhobeetalao | 71,790 | 1 | ... | ... | 6 | 13 | ... | ... | 20 | 3 |
| Plumaware | 22,529 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 4 | ... | ... | 8 | ... |
| Bhoideshwar | 50,282 | ... | ... | ... | 8 | 11 | ... | ... | 19 | 6 |
| Kharatalao | 23,454 | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 5 | ... | ... | 10 | 10 |
| Koombarwara | 23,085 | ... | ... | ... | 7 | 13 | ... | ... | 20 | 4 |
| Khetwadee | 29,177 | 2 | ... | ... | 8 | 7 | ... | ... | 17 | 4 |
| Girgaum | 21,505 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | ... | 6 | 2 |
| Chaupatee | 6,184 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 5 | ... | ... | 6 | 1 |
| Walkeshwar | 10,094 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 |
| Malabarnose | 9,144 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | ... |
| Mazagon | 21,784 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 4 | 1 | ... | 8 | ... |
| Tarwaree | 9,462 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 2 |
| Kamathepoora | 81,675 | ... | ... | ... | 17 | 22 | ... | ... | 39 | 4 |
| Parel | 7,092 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 1 | ... | ... | 4 | ... |
| Sion | 12,078 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 3 |
| Mahim | 19,438 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 4 | ... |
| Worlee | 10,211 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 2 |
| Harbour | 32,582 | 2 | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | 1 | ... | 8 | ... |
| Non-Resident and Unknown | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 2 | 9 | ... | ... | 12 | ... |
| Bombay | 816,562 | 8 | ... | 2 | 111 | 188 | 2 | 1 | 312 | 110 |
| Mean of the corresponding weeks in the preceding 5 years. | | 6 | ... | 3 | 1 | 163 | 11 | 2 | 7 | 202 | ... |

The following statement shows the number of deaths in the different races or castes:—

| Race or Caste. | Cholera. | Small-pox. | Measles. | Fever. | Other diseases. | Accidents and Violence. | Unknown Cas. | Total, ex. of Still-born. | Total Deaths in the week exclusive of Still-born. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Boodhist—Jain, &c | ... | ... | ... | 5 | 7 | ... | ... | 12 | ... |
| Brahmin | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 5 | ... | ... | 9 | ... |
| Lingact | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... |
| Bhatia | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | ... | 4 | 1 |
| Hindoo of other Caste | 4 | 2 | ... | 43 | 86 | ... | 1 | 136 | 46 |
| Hindoo out-caste | ... | ... | ... | 8 | 6 | ... | ... | 14 | 2 |
| Mussulman | 2 | ... | ... | 35 | 55 | 1 | ... | 93 | 37 |
| Parsee | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 9 | ... | ... | 17 | 12 |
| Jew | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | 1 | 4 |
| Native-Christian | 1 | ... | ... | 3 | 7 | ... | ... | 11 | 5 |
| Indo-European | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| European | ... | ... | ... | 2 | 3 | 1 | ... | 6 | 3 |
| Negro-African | ... | ... | ... | ... | 8 | ... | ... | 8 | ... |
| Chinese | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Unknown Races | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Total | 8 | 2 | ... | 111 | 188 | 2 | 1 | 312 | 110 |
| Corresponding week 1868 | ... | 2 | 4 | 104 | 153 | 9 | 1 | 273 | 86 |

A MODEST ADVERTISEMENT.—The following advertisement is published in a country paper:—"Wanted:—A young man wishes to obtain board in a respectable private family, where his moral deportment and example would be considered equivalent. References required."

AN American paper has this advertisement of a book bearing on a "Velocipediology"—"The Tale of a Traveller. A curious book for inquisitive people; 400 pages, elegantly bound in cloth and gilt. Sew your buttons on fast before sending for the book, inclosing postage."

## TELEGRAPH LINE REPORTS.

KURRACHEE, 30th, 12-25 P.M.—Cable communication perfect to Fao; Turkish line interrupted beyond Semavah; and the Persian line right to Teheran. Latest dates from Great Britain via Turkey 17th September, 2-2 P.M., via Russia 27th September, 8 P.M.

KURRACHEE, 30th, 2-10 P.M.—Persian line right to Tabreez.

## WEATHER REPORTS.

CARWAR, 30th, 9-40 A.M.—Weather cloudy, wind calm, thermometer 79, barometer 30·07, rainfall 1 inch 42 cents.

VINGORLA, 30th, 10 A.M.—Weather clear, wind south, west, thermometer 80, rainfall 11 cents.

CANNANORE, 30th, 10 A.M.—Weather rainy, wind south-west moderate, thermometer 78, barometer 30·035, rainfall 70 cents.

TUTICORIN, 30th, 10-30 A.M.—Weather fine, wind south-west, thermometer 87, barometer 29·57.

MANGALORE, 30th, 11-50 A.M.—Weather rainy, wind west south-west, thermometer 78·50, rainfall 1 inch 7 cents.

## SMALL CAUSE COURT.—30TH SEPT.

(BEFORE J. O'LEARY, ESQ.)

ABBA OOSMAN *vs.* F. KLINGELHOEFER.

THIS was an action brought to recover the sum of Rs. 875, balance of an account for goods supplied by plaintiff.

Mr. Cumroodeen appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. Hormusjee, vakil, for defendant.

Mr. Hormusjee urged that the Court had no jurisdiction to enter into the case, inasmuch as the defendant was a resident of Tanna, and the goods were made deliverable at that station. The Court, concurring with Mr. Hormusjee, struck off the case for want of jurisdiction.

## DEPARTURE OF THE JUMNA.

HER MAJESTY'S troop-ship Jumna will sail to-day for Suez with troops for England. The troops, which are from Nagpore and Madras, have arrived here. Her Majesty's 90th Regiment Light Infantry (strength 25 officers, 1 officer's wife, 3 officers' children, 436 non-commissioned rank and file, 17 officers' wives, 37 officers' children, 911 maunds of baggage,) from Nagpore, were brought to Bombay by train and embarked from the Carnac Bunder. The invalids and time-expired men from the Madras presidency (strength invalids, &c., 16 officers, 5 officers' wives, 9 officers' children, 470 non-commissioned rank and file, 33 ditto wives, 72 ditto children) including the detachment 90th Regiment from Wellington, were brought to Bombay from Beypore in the steam transports Dacca, Coromandel, and Himalaya, and transhipped to the Jumna, the last of them yesterday evening. There are also some details from Bombay.

## INDO-EUROPEAN TELEGRAPH.

THE following dates of private telegrams were received at the Bombay Telegraph Office during the 24 hours ending at 8 o'clock yesterday evening:—

United Kingdom, via Russia, 18th, 20th, 23rd, 24th and 28th September.

Continent of Europe, via Russia, 23rd September.

The time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay from 8 P.M. of the 29th to 8 P.M. of the 30th September is as follows:—

| To Bombay | Max. | Min. |
|---|---|---|
| From Kurrachee | 13 50 | 3 35 |
| ,, Calcutta | 30 31 | 3 15 |
| ,, Madras | 20 2 | 1 32 |

Communication between Bombay and Kurrachee perfect.

Undelivered messages in the Bombay Signal Office—
For Sub-Lt. Bell, ship Euphrates, from Khundwa.
For Lt. Owen, 88th Regiment, from London.
For Adjutant, 3rd Hussars, from Calcutta.

## THE DESTRUCTION OF GAME DURING THE BREEDING SEASON.

THE following letter was yesterday placed at the disposal of the press. It relates to a subject mooted a few weeks ago by the *Madras Mail*, and the opinion the Government of India entertains on it was stated in our columns the other day. The subordinate Governments were consulted with reference to it, and it appears that the Government of Bombay entertains quite the same views as the Supreme Government:—

From F. S. Chapman, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay; to E. C. Bayley, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Under-Secretary Howell's Memo., No. 4086, dated the 7th inst., and of its accompaniments, and in reply to state that the Right Honourable the Governor in Council is of opinion that a law might be passed with advantage prohibiting the destruction of mild birds and animals useful for human good, during the breeding season.

2. It would, H. E. in Council thinks, be very objectionable to introduce any measure in the shape of a "Game Law," or to place any further restriction on the use of fire-arms.

(Signed.) F. R. S. WYLLIE,
Acting Under-Secretary.

## MR. MOROBA CANNOBA ROBBED OF JEWELLERY.

ON Wednesday last, at the Girgaum Police Court, before Mr. R. H. Showell, Mr. Moroba Cannoba charged Bappoojee Ramchunder, his servant, with theft of a gold chain, two diamond rings, and a gold armlet, of the collective value of Rs. 1,110.

Mr. Moroba Cannoba deposed—I am a vakeel of the High Court and live at Gowalla Tank road. I know Bappoojee Ramchunder. On the 27th September, at 8 P.M., I had occasion to open the drawer of a table to take out a ring. I opened this small ivory box (produced in Court) and found these two diamond rings (also produced) missing. On making further search I also missed this gold chain and an armlet in the shape of a snake. I made enquiries of my servants, and gave my mussal in charge of a police sepoy. Mr. Dumper and Mr. Hallums made enquiries. Yesterday, between 3 and 4 o'clock in the afternoon, I went in search of the prisoner, accompanied by a detective. I found him sitting on the verandah of a house in Nuveewaddy. He was taken to Mr. Hallums, the superintendent of police. Between 8 and 9 o'clock the same night Mr. Hallums sent for me. I went to his house, and he showed me the rings, diamonds, and other property now before the Court. I identified all the property as mine, with the exception of the piece of gold and the piece of silver. I last saw this gold chain safe in the drawer of the table at half-past 10 o'clock on the morning of the 27th September, and the diamond rings about seven or eight days ago. I last saw the gold armlet in the shape of a snake on the night of the 5th September. The prisoner had free access to the room in which the rings, &c., were kept.

Khan Bahadoor Meer Acbar Ally, inspector of police in the detective branch, stated that the prisoner took him and the other police officers to the shop of a goldsmith in Withulwaddy, and that the goldsmith on being asked gave up the property before the Court. The prosecutor came to the house of Mr. Hallums and identified it as his property.

Some other witnesses were examined for the prosecution, and at the conclusion of the case the prisoner on being asked if he had to say anything in his defence made the following statement:—

Prisoner said—Why am I not charged with theft of a box, clothes, and handkerchief? As these things were given me, so were these things given. It is stated that I lived in prosecutor's house and committed theft. I was not living in the house. The property was given to me for certain business, and when I stated to prosecutor the result of that business, then this false charge was brought against me yesterday. When I stated the night before last that the business could not be done, and asked for four annas the prosecutor opened the same drawer out of which he now says the property was stolen and took out four annas which he gave me. He did not look in the dark: he brought a light. Why did he not charge me at that time? For this reason, the unsuccessful business, a false charge has been brought against me. If I had done that business, this false charge would not have been preferred. On the day prosecutor gave me the box it contained an article of wearing apparel and a handkerchief. A kept woman in the house asked him (Tatia Saheb, the prosecutor,) where he was sending the box. He replied, "I am going to be a vakeel and to open a office in the Fort, where I am going to send the box." He gave other five rupees with the box. This morning when I had taken the box to his house, a woman of the house said, in the presence of the Subedar, that the box was taken to the office, and asked him how it came to be stolen? I beg that the Subedar may be asked. That being so, this charge of theft has been preferred against me. I have nothing more to say.

The Magistrate then committed the prisoner to take his trial at the ensuing Criminal Sessions of the High Court.

## CHARGE OF DEFAMING A PARSEE PRIEST.

IN the Fort Police Court on Wednesday, Mr. Connon, the Senior Magistrate, resumed the hearing of the charge of defamation brought by Mr. Nowrojee Shapoorjee Sunjana against Jamsetjee Sorabjee Madun. The case, it will be recollected, arose out of a letter which appeared in a Parsee weekly paper called the *Sunday Review*, stating that the prosecutor had lived with a Mussulman prostitute and eaten food cooked by a Mussulman.

Mr. McCulloch (instructed by Dr. Dallas) appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Serjeant Atkinson for the defence.

On the case being called,

Mr. Serjeant Atkinson suggested that the case should go no further in this Court, as the proper procedure would be to lay a criminal information in the High Court. He asked the Magistrate to dismiss the case and not further waste the public time.

His Worship said he had already suggested that should be done, an information should be laid in the High Court, but he could not dismiss the case if the prosecution wished to go on with it.

Mr. McCulloch was of opinion that the proper procedure was to lay the case before a magistrate and not before the High Court. He had advised the prosecutor to that effect, and therefore he would go on with the case.

The following evidence was then adduced:—

Burjorjee Pestonjee deposed—I make lining for carriages. I remember some years ago having had the Novjod ceremony performed on my two sons. It was performed at the fire-temple of Hormusjee Wadia by one Pestonjee Dustoor, assisted by his brother, Nowrojee. My relations were present at the time. Byramjee Nowrojee was present. My family priest Cowasjee Bicajee, was present. During the ceremony my family priest addressed himself to Pestonjee, saying, "Let me perform the ceremony on one of the boys." Pestonjee said, "You cannot do it; it is against the order for a stranger." I said to my family priest, "Why do you discuss this, I shall give you your fees." He did not say anything to the effect, "What oppression is this. While Nowrojee carried on contract work at Wassind he kept a prostitute and had sons and daughters by her and partook of meals prepared by a Mussulman cook, and he comes here and puts on the appearance of a dustoor and deprives me of my right. What, is he to keep children born of the womb of a prostitute and perform the ceremony of Novjod, and I, a family priest, not to perform it." He said nothing to that effect at all. It is not true that Pestonjee thereupon sat upon a ceremonial seat and lamented over the blemish. Nothing of the kind occurred. I know Framjee Madun. He was not there.

Cross-examined by Serjeant Atkinson—It is not reputable for a dustoor to keep a woman. We do not employ him. It is for the public good to expose him. If a dustoor ate food cooked by a Mussulman I should think it my duty to expose him.

Byramjee Nusserwanjee was then called and examined by Mr. McCulloch. He said—I sell liquor and keep a soda water and lemonade factory. I am a friend of last witness. I remember being present about eight years ago at the Wadia fire-temple when his sons went through the Novjod ceremony. Pestonjee Dustoor and his brother Nowrojee performed. Cowasjee Biccajee, the family priest of the father of the boys, was also present. The family priest asked to be allowed to take part in the ceremony. Pestonjee said no strange priest could perform any ceremony in that temple. Burjorjee said "Don't object, here I will give you fees." Cowasjee, the family priest, was satisfied, and did not say anything such as he is alleged to have, in exhibit, commencing with the words, "What an oppression," and ending with "lamented over that blemish." He made no complaint of Nowrojee.

Cross-examined by Serjeant Atkinson—There are several dustoors in our fire-temples. Dustoors are only, two first and second. (Laughter.) There is a difference of opinion. I take the part of Pestonjee All Parsees are candidates for the office. I am only for two, Pestonjee and Jamasjee. All the people call Pestonjee Dustoorjee, so do I. I did not see Framdaroo Madun at the ceremony. He was not there. I would not have a dustoor that kept a woman. It would be right to expose him. I would not have a dustoor that ate food by a Mussulman. It would be for the public good to expose him. I have not asked Framdaroo Madun not to come here to-day.

Cowasjee Bicajee Mussani was then examined, and deposed—I am the family priest of Burjorjee Pestonjee. I was present in the Wadia temple some years ago when the Novjod ceremony was performed on his sons. The dustoor, Pestonjee, and his brother, Nowrojee, performed the ceremony. I asked the dustoor for permission to perform the ceremony on one of the boys. Burjorjee said he would give me my fee, so I went away. I found no fault with Nowrojee and used no such words as appear in the Exhibit A beginning with "What oppression is this," and ending with "lamented over that blemish." I said nothing of that sort.

Cross-examined by Mr. Serjeant Atkinson—Framdaroo Madun was not present on that occasion I consider it disreputable for a priest to keep a woman. I don't consider it right for a priest to eat food provided by a Mahomedan, and it would be for the public good to expose these things.

Nowrojee Shapoorjee Sunjana, examined by Mr. McCulloch, gave the following evidence:—I am complainant in this case and a Parsee mobed or priest. My brother, Pestonjee, is dustoor. I have seen the article in the *Sunday Review*. (Exhibit A.) Since that article was published my brother has suspended me from performing priestly functions and has required me to take proceedings to clear my character. I was present in the Wadia temple when the sons of Burjorjee Pestonjee had the Novjod ceremony performed on them some years ago. My brother and I performed the ceremony. Cowasjee Biccajee, the family priest of Burjorjee, asked leave to take part in the ceremony. He was refused permission. Burjorjee Pestonjee having promised him his fee, Cowasjee Biccajee, the family priest, did not complain and said nothing like what appears in Exhibit A, commencing with the word, "What oppression is this," on to "lamented over this blemish." Cowasjee said nothing of the sort, and my brother did not do as is said. It is not true that when I was carrying on contract work at Wassind I kept a prostitute. I never kept a prostitute anywhere. I never got sons or daughters by a prostitute. I never partook of meals prepared by a Mussalman cook.

Cross-examined by Mr. Serjeant Atkinson—One Jamasjee disputes the honour of being dustoor with my brother. When the article appeared my brother asked me about it. I denied the imputation. I deny it now. I lived about fifteen months there. I lived in a shed. I never saw a woman in the shed. I did not know a woman there of the name of Papajee. (A Mussulman woman was here introduced into Court.) During my residence at Wassind I never saw this woman there. I never in my life saw this woman before. She was never at my house at Wassind, nor I in her's.

The case was then adjourned till Wednesday, October 13, the Magistrate remarking that that would be subject to any mutual understanding the parties could come to.

## REPORT OF RAIN-FALL IN THE BOMBAY PRESIDENCY,

SHOWING THE FALL DURING THE WEEK ENDING 9 A.M., MONDAY, 13TH SEPTEMBER, AND THE TOTAL UP TO THAT DATE FROM 1ST JANUARY.

| | The week. | Total. |
|---|---|---|
| Observatory, Colaba | 1·06 | 70·59 |
| Town Hall, (Fort) Gauge No. 1 | 1·24½ | 25·80½ |
| Do. Do. Do. No. 2 | 1·26½ | 23·20½ |
| Do. Do. Do. No. 3 | 1·47 | 20·08 |
| European General Hospital, Fort George | ·76 | 105·14 |
| Esplanade, H. M. 21st Regt. N. I. | ·94 | 76·29 |
| Byculla, J. J. H. | 1·24 | 93·03 |
| Alibaug | 1·55 | 58·64 |
| Tanna, C. H. | 2·50 | 84·97 |
| Panwell | 2·05 | 76·80 |
| Mahim | 2·10 | 69·68 |
| Bassein | ·36 | 65·89 |
| Callian | 1·30 | 70·60 |
| Karanja | 1·45 | 87·20 |
| Matheran | 14·61 | 311·92 |
| Ruthagherry, C. H. | 2·04 | 77·67 |
| Dapoolee, D. | 3·00 | 80·85 |
| Vingorla, C. H. | 1·62 | 90·63 |
| Sawunt Waree, C. H. | 1·65 | 97·40 |
| Karwar | 2·23 | 94·15 |
| Surat, C. H. | 1·43 | 44·02 |
| Bulsar | 2·55 | 60·12 |
| Town of Droach | 1·84 | 30·43 |
| Town of Ahmedabad | 3·28 | 26·55 |
| Kaira, C. H. | 4·53 | 27·92 |
| Baroda, Residency H. | 3·21 | 28·54 |
| Kattywar, Rajkote, C. H. | 1·87 | 22·82 |
| Egutpoora | 8·71 | 86·70 |
| Poona, Sassoon H. | ·18 | 22·10 |
| Sholapoor, C. H. | ·03 | 21·81 |
| Sattara, C. H. | ·42 | 29·47 |
| Malcolm Pett, Malableshwur | 9·55 | 142·33 |
| Panchgunny | 1·65 | 37·38 |
| Kolapoor, C. H. | 1·08 | 20·66 |
| Kulladghee, C. H. | ·06 | 17·22 |
| Belgaum, C. H. | ·58 | 37·88 |
| Dharwar, C. H. | ·14 | 19·94 |
| Hydrabad (Sind) J. H. | 1·16 | 16·71 |

In the report from the Colaba Observatory, the day is from midnight to midnight.

## THE OPIUM REVENUE.

BOMBAY CASTLE, 28TH SEPTEMBER 1869.

LETTER from the Commissioner of Customs, Salt and Opium, dated 24th August 1869—Submitting a report and statements exhibiting the results of the administration of the revenue derived from opium throughout this presidency for the year ending 31st March 1869.

RESOLUTION.—The total opium revenue from all sources during the year under review amounted to Rs. 1,82,89,434, which, compared with that of the preceding year, exhibits a decrease of Rs. 54,60,930, as follows:—

| | 1868-69 | 1867-68 |
|---|---|---|
| Pass Fees | 1,80,55,200 | 2,35,29,600 |
| Interests on Hoondies | 5 | 6 |
| Retail Trade | 2,34,229 | 2,20,758 

all these circumstances, and having found out that the loan was a bad speculation, wanted to get out of it and had therefore taken the convenient step of endeavouring to evade his liability by saying that the agreement had been abandoned by the Bank of Bombay. However the abandonment of the agreement was not by the Bank of Bombay but by the Oriental Bank. It might be difficult perhaps altogether to approve of the management of the transaction by the officials of the Bank of Bombay who it might be said should have been more cautious, but he thought the Court would hold that none of those officials were to much open to reprobation as the manager of the Oriental Bank was in writing this letter of the 2nd August 1866. If blame was to be distributed he was confident the Court would distribute it equally. The learned counsel defended the Bank of Bombay, from the charge of negligence, and pointed out that they had four times the amount of money at stake than any of the other contributories had, and therefore were not likely to be negligent. At any rate all the parties were in the same boat as to negligence and mismanagement, and whether rightly or wrongly it was the fact that under the agreement Rs. 24,89,000 were advanced to Premchund. The cardinal point on which the plaintiffs and the defendants differed was as to whether the jewels were to be of an ascertained value as a condition precedent to the advance, and he thought under all the circumstances the Court would favour the contention of the plaintiffs, that the jewels were not to be of an ascertained value but simply such as Premchund said he was able to deposit and which he valued at twenty lakhs. The plaintiff had carried out their undertaking in every respect.

Mr. Justice Westropp said he should not have advanced anything after Mr. Courvoisier's valuation.

Mr. Scoble—All I can say is, my Lord, it is exceedingly unfortunate for the plaintiffs that you were not the manager of the Bank at the time. In conclusion the learned counsel submitted that the plaintiffs had made out their contention that the advance was to be made upon public grounds, and that the Bank of Bombay was to finance the loan, and that there was no condition precedent that the jewels were to be of the value of twenty lakhs. He submitted that at any rate the plaintiffs were entitled to ten per cent. upon the advances up to the 8th May when Mr. Crawford's valuation was sent in; and further that the defendants had utterly failed in their contention that there had been any abandonment of the contract, whereby they had been released from their liability to pay their quota of the loan—and that upon the whole case the plaintiffs were entitled to recover the amount they claimed.

This closed the case and decision will not be given till after the hearing of the case against the Asiatic Bank which was opened yesterday.

## THE CASE AGAINST THE ASIATIC BANK.

The case at the instance of the Bank of Bombay against the Asiatic Bank was commenced yesterday. The claim in this case also is for Rs. 1,96,620, and the only particular point of difference in this case from that against the Oriental Bank is that the manager of the Asiatic Bank signed the agreement sent round in May, whereas Mr. Moir did not. The issues are the same in both cases, except that in the latter there is an additional issue as to whether the document of May is binding on the Asiatic. The notes of a great part of the evidence in the Oriental Bank case will be used in this one. Messrs. Scoble and Green (instructed by Messrs. Rimington, Hore, and Langley) are counsel for the plaintiffs, and the Advocate-General and Messrs. Marriott and McCulloch (instructed by Messrs. Manisty and Hurrell) for the defence.

## OFFICERS DETAILED FOR DUTY WITH DETACHMENTS PROCEEDING HOME.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, SIMLA, 14TH SEPT.

THE Commander-in-Chief has been pleased to promulgate the following rules for the guidance of general officers in detailing officers for duty with detachments proceeding to the ports of embarkation and to England :—

I. On every occasion of a party *of invalids* proceeding from a division to the port of embarkation, an officer who is ordered to England and who is *entitled* to a passage at the public expense is to be placed in immediate charge of the party, the documents ordered to accompany the men being handed over to him. This officer will retain possession of all necessary papers, including those he receives at the embarkation depots, during the entire transit and until he gives over charge of the detachment at Netley Hospital. On no account is he to hand over the custody of the papers, or be removed from the immediate charge of his party *en route*. It will be understood that the above rule is not to interfere with the regulations of the service, which require the senior officer of the entire detachment to assume command and be responsible for discipline.

II. Officers ordered to England for duty at the regimental depots will be detailed for duty with detachments proceeding by the overland route, whether consisting of invalids or men in health.

III. Officers of the British service (not employed upon the staff,) invalided to England are *entitled* to passages at the public expense and their services are to be utilised for duty with troops either by the Overland or Cape Route, when required, and when the certificate of the medical board does not declare them to be unfit for such duty. Other officers entitled to public passages (as detailed in G. G. O. No. 471, 11th May 1865, page 73 S. O.) are also available for duty when required.

IV. If a sufficient number of officers *entitled to public passages*, are not available, officers proceeding home on their private affairs are to be attached to the parties; but these officers must understand that they will have no claim to embark with the troops, unless there shall be no officers at the ports of embarkation with claims to free passages available to relieve them.

V. The following is the scale of officers to be employed with detachments of troops embarking for England via the Cape :—

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| For detachments of | 20 | and under | 60 | ... 1 Officer. |
| ,, | 60 | ,, | 90 | ... 2 ,, |
| ,, | 90 | ,, | 150 | ... 3 ,, |
| ,, | 150 | ,, | 300 | ... 4 ,, |
| ,, | 300 | ,, | 400 | ... 5 ,, |
| ,, | 400 | ,, | 500 | ... 6 ,, |

For the overland route the proportion is *never to be less* than two officers per 100 men.

The above scales are exclusive of medical officers.

In cases of emergency and when regiments and detachments embark together, officers belonging to the former may be attached to the latter for duty during the voyage.

VI. When there is an insufficiency of officers entitled to free passages at the ports of embarkation to make up the required complement, officers of the British service proceeding home on their private affairs shall be next detailed for the duty.

VII. When no officers proceeding on leave are available, a special report must be at once made for the orders of the Commander-in-Chief of the Presidency (by telegraph if necessary,) who will give such instructions as the exigencies of the case may require.

VIII. The scales laid down in para. V. will be adhered to as far as possible by General Officers of Divisions in despatching the parties down-country for embarkation.

## KHANDEISH SKY RACES, 1869.

STEWARDS.—Major Eales, Mr. Pritchard, Captain Wise; Secretary, Lieutenant Colonel Nuttall.

1ST DAY, 21ST OCTOBER.

THE KHANDEISH DERBY—An entrance of Rs. 20 with Rs. 130 added from the fund for all Arabs. Weight for age. 4 years old 9st., 5 years 9st. 7 lbs., 6 years 10st., 7 years and upwards 10st. 2lbs. 1¼ mile race. To name and close by 12 o'clock the day before the race G. R.

THE GALLOWAY STAKES—A Sweepstakes of one gold mohur with Rs. 70 added from the fund for all Gallo-ways. Weight for inches. 14 hands to carry 10st. R. C. G. R.

THE PONY PLATE—An entrance of Rs. 10 with Rs. 50 added from the fund for all ponies 13-2½ and under C. W. ½ mile heats.

2ND DAY, 23RD OCTOBER.

THE DHOOLIA WELTER—Rs. 20 entrance with Rs. 100 added from the fund. 11st. G. R. The winner of the Derby to carry 7lbs. extra. 1 mile.

THE UNTRAINED STAKES—For all *bona fide* untrained horses. Rs. 70 from the fund with an entrance Rs. 10. R. C. G. R. Weight 10st. 7lbs. The winner to be sold for Rs. 300.

THE LADIES' PURSE—Rs. 85 from the fund with an entrance of 1 gold mohur. A handicap. To name and close at 12 noon the day before the race. ¾ of a mile.

3RD DAY, 26TH OCTOBER.

A FREE HANDICAP for all horses that have run during the meeting. Entrance 1 gold mohur with Rs. 85 added from the fund. 1½ mile.

THE DHOOLIA HUNT CUP for all horses *bona fide* hunters. A handicap. Entrance 1 gold mohur with Rs. 85 added from the fund. G. R. over 6 hurdles 3½ feet high. ¾ mile.

THE HUNTER STAKES for all Galloways. Hunter—A handicap over 6 hurdles 3½ feet high. Entrance Rs. 12 with Rs. 60 added from the fund. ¾ mile G. R.

PONY HURDLE RACE—Rs. 8 entrance with Rs. 35 added from the fund. Over 4 hurdles 3½ feet high. G. R. Catch weights.

The rules of the Western India Turf Club to be adhered to with the exceptions named below.

1. All horses and galloways to pay a course fee of Rs. 3.
2. A percentage to be taken from the public money should sufficient money not be subscribed.
3. Two horses to start from separate stables or the public money will be withheld.
4. Lotteries to be settled after every day's racing.
5. All riders to wear colours.

T. NUTTALL, Lt.-Col., Secretary.

## CUSTOMS DUTY ON SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.

MR. L. REID, Commissioner of Customs, Salt, and Opium, addressed the Chief Secretary to Government on the 6th May 1869 as follows :—

'Under date the 10th March last, Messrs. Thacker, Vining & Co. preferred an application for refund of duty on certain scientific instruments, &c. as per margin, A, * and as the same had been erroneously levied, I allowed the refund on all the items excepting field glasses, binoculars, and others, as per margin B. *

'Messrs. Thacker, Vining, & Co. have remonstrated against this decision to exclude field glasses &c., from the category of scientific instruments. They urge "that there is not one that is not constructed on the most delicate scientific principles; we would respectfully urge that optics is certainly a branch of science, and that optical instruments cannot be classed otherwise than as scientific instruments; under any circumstances, they certainly are instruments, and as certainly they are not musical instruments—it would surely not be questionable that a microscope is a scientific instrument, and yet it is but a combination of lenses, which equally enter into the construction of all the articles named, with the exception of hand mirrors, which we are willing to give up."

'As importers of the instruments connected with the sciences, the question is of considerable importance to them, and at their request I refer it. I am clearly of opinion that the articles excluded subserve no such purpose in the furtherance of the interests of science, say of navigation, chemistry, and the like, which would bring any of them under the category of a scientific instrument. They come under the reasonable definition of manufactures of glass, and are treated accordingly.'

RESOLUTION OF THE BOMBAY GOVERNMENT.—As the question is one affecting the construction to be put on the general tariff, it should be referred to the Government of India, with an expression of opinion on the part of this Government that the claim to exemption advanced by Messrs. Thacker, Vining, & Co. should be acceded to.

The reply of the Supreme Government has been as follows :—

To the Chief Secretary to the Government of Bombay.

SIR,—In reply to your endorsement No. 2613, dated the 19th May 1869, on the subject of the construction to be put on the Customs tariff with respect to certain scientific instruments, I am directed to observe that, under the present law, all articles not named or described in the tariff are free from duty. The only head in the import tariff under which the articles enumerated in Schedule A of the letter from the Commissioner of Customs could be brought is "37. Metals, unwrought, wrought and manufactured of other sort, including hardware, ironmongery, and cutlery, but excluding machinery, the component parts thereof, which are free." Possibly some might be referred to No. "21. Glass." But seeing that the tariff provides separately for such articles as musical instruments, toys, photographic apparatus, clocks, &c., the Governor General in Council is of opinion that it is impossible to maintain that the instruments mentioned in the said Schedule A were intended to be included or can be taxed under articles 37 or 21, and he is therefore pleased to declare that they are all exempt.—I have the honour to be, &c.,

(Signed) G. H. M. BATTEN,
Under Secretary to the Government of India.

Simla, the 14th September, 1869.

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| Pentagraphs. | Offsets. | Levelling Staves. |
| Blotting Scales. | Theodolites. | Ivory Scales. |
| Protractors. | Field Glasses. | Mathematical Instruments. |
| Straight Eges. | Binoculars. | Set Squares. |
| T Squares. | Measuring Tapes. | Survey Chains and Arrows. |
| Barometers. | Compasses. | Magic Lanterns. |
| Thermometers. | Dumpy Levels. | Hand Mirrors. |
| Parallel Rules. | Prismatic Compasses. | Magnifying Glasses. |

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| Field Glasses. | Magic Lanterns. | Magnifying Glasses. |
| Binoculars. | Hand Mirrors. | Measuring Tapes. |

## INDIAN ITEMS.

### MADRAS.

MR. J. B. SPEDDING, C.S., Principal Assistant to the Collector of Ganjam, is, we learn, to prepare the manual of that district.—*Madras Mail*, Sept. 25.

AN earthquake occurred on the 10th instant, in the Ongole taluk of the Nellore district. The first shock occurred at 7½ P.M., on the first instant, and was in a direction from west to east. A second but slighter shock occurred at 7 A.M., on the morning of the second. The first was sufficiently violent to shake the walls and posts of houses, shaking down mud from the former and causing some alarm.—*Ibid.*

WE have news from Colombo to the 18th instant, but no mention is made of the investigation that was promised into the circumstances attending the death of Mr. Hall, of the Madras Civil Service. This looks as if local influence has been successfully exerted to hush the matter up. The Madras Government, however, will not, we trust, allow the conduct of the hospital people at Colombo to thus escape scrutiny.—*Ibid.*

## MECHANICAL SCIENCE.

ON ROADS AND RAILWAYS IN NORTHERN INDIA AS AFFECTED BY THE ABRADING AND TRANSPORTING POWER OF WATER.

MR. LOGIN, C.E., at a late meeting of the British Association at Exeter, in a paper which he read on the above subject, commenced by stating the general conclusions he had arrived at to the effect that the abrading and transporting power of water was increased directly as the velocity and inversely as the depth; also, that when flowing water had once got its proper load of solid matter in suspension all erosive action ceased. In short, that it was like a balance, the load being always equal to the power, which power, somehow or other, increased as the velocity became greater, and decreased as the depth of a stream increased, nature always adjusting the load to the various circumstances. He then gave a short description of the plains and rivers of Northern India, and, by the aid of diagrams, went on to argue that rivers flowing through alluvial plains were raising rather than lowering their beds, and, though this silting up process may be very slow, yet it was satisfactory to the engineer to know that the foundations of his bridges would be as safe, if not safer, a hundred years hence than they are now. In speaking of the changes of the course of rivers, he said that there was more or less a constant cutting going on the concave banks of a river, with a silting up process on the opposite side. The next subject referred to was the denudation of the high level plains of Northern India called "Doabs," (two waters), and locally known by the name of "Banger" land, in contradistinction to the term "Khadir," or low valley lands, through which the large rivers, fed by the melting snows, now meander. Mr. Login said that the higher ridges or "back bones" of these Doabs were not caused by any upheavals, but were formed by the denudation of these high level plains; and as the rain-fall was three or four times as great in the valley of the Ganges as that of the Indus, these back bones in the plains of the Punjab disappeared, as well as all defined drainage lines some fifty miles below the hills, for the simple reason that the water spread over these pains and was absorbed. To this peculiarity in the Punjab, particular attention was drawn; for Mr. Login argued that, if standing crops and grass could permit without receiving injury the rain which fell higher up to flow through rather than over those standing crops, surely the same water could flow *over* an iron rail at very slow velocities, seldom, if ever, rising to such a height as to interfere with a locomotive passing over the line; however, if it did, the obstruction could only last for not more than one day in a whole year. By acting on this principle, Mr. Login believed that hundreds of thousands of pounds can be saved in the construction of railways in Upper India, as no embankments or masonry culverts and bridges would be required in crossing such high level plains as the Rechna Doabs, which he had surveyed; while by pounding back these flood waters by embankments, and forcing it to find an escape through culverts, was most costly and dangerous, for it increased the abrading and transporting power of the water at the very point where alone it could do injury, namely, where it crossed the rail. In support of his arguments he quoted actual occurrences. He urged that deep foundations for bridges was the proper mode for spanning the large rivers of India, and that only one opening for both the main stream and the inundation water should be provided, while any little water that might be left behind in the swamps or low ground which is below the level of the main river, should be drained off by what he calls "spoon-mouthed syphons." Speaking of the minor torrents, he briefly referred to another description of bridge, resting on "inverts," with deep massive curtain walls, which may, with economy, be introduced in some instances; and concluded by stating that once the abraiding and transporting power of water was more fully investigated, that the engineer could proceed with all descriptions of works affected by flowing water with greater confidence and economy, instancing harbours on the Madras coasts, which province, from being at present a financial loss to the State, would soon become profitable both to India and England, by increased commerce.

## THE AMBERNATH EXPEDITION.

### MR. TERRY'S REPORT.

To VENAYEK WASSOODEW, Esq., Secretary to the Sir J. J. School of Art, Poona.

SIR,—I have the honour to forward a short report explanatory of the objects and results of the Ambernath Expedition for the information of our Committee, and for its transmission, through them, to His Excellency the Governor in Council.

It may, perhaps, be necessary for a clear understanding of the subject to recapitulate here what were the objects the Supreme Government proposed to itself and to the local Governments in their Resolution No. 14931, dated the 24th February 1868, forwarded by our Government in Resolution No. 468, General Department, dated the 7th March 1868, for the opinion of the Public Works Department and my own—

1st.—(Introductory paragraph of Resoultion 14931)· They had in view the conservation of ancient architectural structures, or their remains, and of other works of art in India.

2ndly.—(Second paragraph of Resolution 14931.) Repairs.

3rdly.—(Third paragraph.) The reproduction of subjects worth distributing for the sake of making them better known and more accessible to practical and scientific men situated at a distance from the originals. This was to be accomplished by means of moulds and photographs. (It is thus I interpret this paragraph.)

4thly.—(Paragraph 10.) Accurate plans and measurements were to be made of the remains.

5thly.—In the same paragraph His Excellency the Governor General in Council also states that a written description should be prepared for publication in England, with illustrations from the plans and photographs of such of the details as may be thought expedient.

I have never been informed what limits, if any, have been placed on the expenditure of any sums of money which may have been set aside for the first and second objects. With regard to the third and fourth, distinct instructions are laid down for our guidance.

In paragraph 3 already quoted it is stated "the Governor General in Council considers that it is best to proceed in the first instance experimentally," and in paragraph 14 "it is suggested that the Local Government might allow the experiment to be carried out at the first under the charge of the Principals of the Schools of Art and Industry of the presidencies, who will train the men, and then be deputed to take them out to work on the building which may be selected for their labours."

In paragraphs 11 and 12 His Excellency the Governor General in Council gives a rough estimate of the cost of these proceedings for the first year; the sum stated is Rs. 13,000, that is to say, 11,960 for the Staff, and 1,040 for the Superintendent.

My reply, conveying my suggestions for the proper working of this scheme, was forwarded to Government on the 20th March 1868. Fully impressed with the importance of the subject, and the great benefit our school ought to derive from it, I forwarded a copy of the Government resolution, with my reply, to our Committee.

Steps having been taken for the preparation of twelve students during the rains, at a meeting of the Committee held on the 5th of November 1868, in the Town Hall, it was settled by them that the Temple of Ambernath, situated near Calyan, should be the first place visited.

Having undertaken the charge of the expedition, I started on the 14th November, completely prepared to undertake the work with the accompanying staff—

Signor Dominico Mattei, Head Moulder.
Mr. Bhasker, Head Draughtsmen.
,, S. Rodrigues, } Draughtsmen.
,, T. Rodrigues, }
,, P. P. Fernandez, } Artists.
,, Jugunnath Anunta, }
,, Narayan Ransote, } Moulders.
,, Narayan Rajpoot, }
,, Yeshwunt Anundrao, }
,, C. Pinto, }
Luxman, } Lascars.
Ramjee, }
Vujeer, School Peon.

On my first arrival on the spot, after setting my people to work to discover their individual capabilities, the moulders on some simple parts, the architects, in which category I include the two students from Mr. Griffith's department, as I found no frescos or colour for them to reproduce, in measuring for a general plan and transverse and longitudinal sections, I began to examine the construction carefully, and soon came to the conclusion that whatever speed I had made in getting to it with my people, it would take all the time we had before us to enable us to reproduce, with any amount of completeness, moulds and drawings enough to do proper justice to it, for I felt I was then in the presence of one of the most interesting, and to all appearance one of the oldest, ruins of Western India.

From the first I was much perplexed with the mode of construction I met with. I had been let to expect here, as elsewhere (see the book of photographs of Dharwar and Mysore, especially plate 31, Southern Pavilion, Hullabeed), that the stones were first built up in the rough and afterwards sculptured;* but I found many of these had been built in already carved; soon the discovery in the upper story over the Mandup of a quantity of worked material either mouldings, ornaments or figures, some sharp and perfect, others much mutilated (see section No. 2, photograph No. 24, also mould No. 68 and No. 67), worked indiscriminately into the stone walls, or as columns supporting the roof, the difference in the characters composing the largest inscription found cut into one of the architraves in the Mandup (mould No. 18) to those discovered on a stone in the upper story (mould No. 20), the frequent discovery that parts of figures and ornaments had been delicately cut (cast No. 44) to fit them into their present position (photograph Nos. 5 and 6, mould 52), and that others had been selected to fill parts for which they were not originally intended, being either too large or too small (see photograph No. 2, and general plan East Niche in pedestal of Vemanah), led me to doubt that I was then investigating the original temple, and to conclude after further investigation that this one had been either rebuilt or partly restored from an older structure, of which the least mutilated sculpture had been incorporated into the present building, which, I was led to believe, was of a cognate nature from the subjects chosen for the decoration of both. I was much impressed also with the great variety, boldness, simplicity and originality of the mouldings, compared to those of the Dravidian and Chalukya temples of the south (as far as I could become acquainted with these through photographs), to its great affinity to the Jaine temples of Guzerat as (see Mr. Burgess's abcast remarks in Mr. B. B. A. S. Transactions, volume IV, page 369), and which I had myself visited the year previous, and with the great case and grace thrown into some of the figures (see cast No. 31), and was convinced that, whether I was studying the original structure or a copy of some former work which had not come down to us in its integral form, the men who had worked to thus embellish it were inspired with a thorough, artistic feeling, and a true appreciation of the beautiful in its more material forms, but I do not wish this to be understood as applying to the whole work indiscriminately; for instance, nothing can be more clumsy and rude than the 7th band which runs round the temple in its base; all the suttee stones (photograph 31) dug up were also of the clumsiest carving, but these seem of a much later date.

As soon, therefore, as I found I could depend on my moulders, with the exception of the Rajpoot, Narayan, whom I had to dismiss, as he turned out a confirmed drunkard, whom Mr. Kipling should never have sent to me, especially as he had already kept back two out of the four men who should have joined me from his department, thus imperilling the success of the expedition, I resolved to reproduce externally a section of the Mandup (selecting subjects here and there, as I could find nowhere any part sufficiently complete throughout), and to work upwards till my time was up, or I was ordered to desist. With the exception of the Chinth and two lower mouldings, which are very large (and the plaster was very scarce), and devoid of all ornament, and which could be clearly seen in photographs (No. 1, 4, 21, 19) and in the architectural drawings, I have brought back moulds of this part of the temple up to the lower verandah, separating the roof from the body or walls of the building. At the same time I selected internally and externally in the upper and lower stories such pieces for reproduction as would convey a correct idea of the various modes of treatment; their different degrees of merit; the various subjects chosen by the moulders for representation; and especially (acting in this instance under the advise of Mr. Justice Newton) of most of the inscriptions, however short, discovered during the course of our investigation.

The architectural students during this time had deliberately set to work carrying out sections, and I soon found I could rely on most of them for accomplishing that which they had undertaken; and when the committee placed at my disposal the services of Mr. Rugoonath in the place of the former head draughtsman, I felt confident this department would succeed as the other was doing under Signor Dominico Mattei.

Mr. Shewshunkur, the photographer, was employed to supplement the work of the other two branches, so as to produce as complete a whole as we could accomplish. On such days as I was not employed superintending the various departments, or with the correspondence, or in Bombay attending to my duties at the School of Art, I made notes and small sketches illustrating all the sculpture I was able to identify, and of peculiarities of the architectural structure, also digging for the stones composing the upper parts of the temple (photograph 32), so as to enable me to reproduce a complete restoration if necessary, and clearing out and exposing the decorated tank (photographs 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30) to the south, and three flights of stairs (photograph 33) leading from the west side of the lower compound enclosing the temple to the elevated portion where the ruins of another building still cover the ground; the foundations were also exposed in one or two places, so that we could tell on what the temple rested. The three objects kept steadily in view were to scamp nothing, to find out all that could be discovered, and to do all the work we undertook to do in as thorough a manner as we were capable of, ever setting to myself and to my students the example so worthy of imitation of Captain P. D. Hart, B. E., and his party, whose beautiful and conscientious works of Bejapoor, reproduced with the photographs of that work, can never be too highly spoken of, or have ever been sufficiently appreciated.

If I have taken over this important work a longer time than either our Committee or I had at first anticipated, I must plead my utter inexperience at first for the work, the want of knowledge either I or our Committee had of the necessary requirements to start such an undertaking, the inability to get adequate information from experienced persons, the novelty of practical work to most of the students, and, above all, the state of utter disorganization the camp was thrown into by the sudden outbreak of fever, which prostrated, in a few days after our arrival, every individual belonging to it, from which we suffered more or less during our stay there, so much so that few have up to this date thoroughly recovered yet, and through which, I hear, Mr. Basker, our late head draughtsman, lost his life.

At all events, we accomplished the object for which we were sent: we have moulded many parts, sketched, measured and photographed this temple, and collected notes (which I am now putting into shape), and in the time have gained experience and practice which, in any future undertaking will be invaluable to us, as we shall be able to reproduce the same amount of work in one-third less of the time. In explanation of this, and to show that the assertion is founded on fact, I have ascertained from my personal observation that when our moulders first began work they were not able to prepare more than eight or ten pieces daily. Signor Dominico tells me few of them even did so much, at the latter part of our stay the average daily work was 18 pieces each moulder.

We have also, I trust, succeeded in keeping within the limits of the sum roughly estimated by His Excellency the Governor General in Council, as sufficient to meet the expenses of this experimental expedition.

Since our return to Bombay, our moulders, under the able direction of Signor Dominico, have produced a set of casts from all the moulds.

The complete set of photographs have been printed, and but for the unsettled weather another set would have accompanied this report. It will follow as soon as ready.

Up to the 9th July the architectural students had been at work inking in their drawings. Some are finished, but it will take at least two months and fifteen days to complete this work properly. I trust the committee will sanction its being continued at once till completed, as the papers are rapidly being destroyed by the damp, although I have coal fires constantly burning in the rooms. The expense for the head draughtsman will be Rs. 125, and for the four students Rs. 300; one cooly for sweeping and dusting casts, lighting charcoal, &c., Rs. 25, charcoal about Rs. 20; total Rs. 470; or, say to meet all unforescen contingent expenses, Rs. 500.

I enclose three lists, A moulds and casts, B architectural drawings, and C photographs; at the same time I have to request you will be good enough to cancel all former lists.

I should have wished to have forwarded a translation of the principal inscription made by Dr. Bhao Dajee, and read by him at the Bombay Branch of the Royal Asiatic Society's last meeting, but I am sorry to say that up to this date he has not furnished me with a copy of it, although for the last seven months he had promised me almost daily that I should receive one.

I am anxious to draw the attention of the Committee to a number of photographs and negatives which have been taken, either wholly or partly, at the expense of Government all over Western India by gentlemen in various services, and to point out that it would be advisable that I should be furnished with proofs of each that I may study them, and select for reproduction by moulding and architectural drawings such as appear worthy of it. Under any circumstances, I would respectfully suggest that all that has already been done in connection with Government Resolution No. 14931, and our experimental trip, and independent of either, should be gathered under one establishment, either at the Central Museum or the Architectural Remains Office, where they could be properly exhibited, and not to allow them to remain scattered over different offices.

In conclusion, I enclose a correspondence forwarded to me at the Government Central Museum, showing that a set of casts and photographs are to be sent to Bombay of the Bhobenessur temple, one of the oldest temples in Orissa, dating from the 6th or 7th century, according to Mr. Fergusson; and beg to request to be informed whether we shall have to reproduce the same number of copies as the Calcutta Government have been called upon to furnish, as in that case I shall require a fresh supply of gypsum. I have the honour to be, &c.,

G. W. TERRY,
Actg. Supt. of the Sir J. J. Scool of Art,
In charge of the Architectural Remains Office.

Architectural Remains Office, Government Pendalls, Esplanade, 22nd July 1869.

To F. S. CHAPMAN, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, General Department.

SIR,—With reference to the Resolution of Government in the General Department, No. 1766, dated the 26th ultimo, I am directed to forward the accompanying copy of report of the Ambernath Expedition, and to request that the lists of moulds and casts of architectural plans and of photographs now sent be substituted for those which have been previously submitted.

I am also directed to observe that this experimental expedition, though costly, may be considered to have been, in a great measure, successful, inasmuch as it appears to have accomplished the greater part of the objects pointed out in the proceedings of the Government of India dated the 20th February 1868, as a collection of plans and drawings of photographs, and casts and moulds, have been made sufficient to convey a correct idea of the appearance, mode of construction, ornamentation and principal architectural features of this ancient building, and that the committee would request sanction for the additional expenditure that will be necessary to complete six complete sets of the drawings, casts and photographs, in order that three may be sent to the Secretary of State, and one be supplied to each Presidency Museum. This number has been fixed by the Government of India in the case of the Bhobenessur temples. The cost for the completion of six sets have been estimated by Mr. Terry at Rs. 2,000, and the committee request that early orders may be given on this point to prevent the dispersal of the moulders and draughtsmen.

I am, at the same time, desired to solicit the instructions of Government with respect to the organization of any future expedition in the coming cold season. If Government are disposed, as the committee trust they will be, to sanction a second experiment, it is desirable that the place to be visited should be at once selected, and all necessary preliminary arrangements made. The committee would strongly recommend that the attempts to obtain plans, photographs and casts, of the most important works of ancient architecture in Western India through the medium of the Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy School of Art should not be abandoned.

The committee would call the attention of Government to paragraph 22 of Mr. Terry's report, and state that they conclude that the Central Museum and the School of Art will be furnished with sets of the various photographs and drawings of the different works of Art in Hindoostan which have been made under the orders of Government.—I have the honor be, &c.,

P. RYAN,
For Secretary to the Sir J. J. School of Art.

Poona, 26th August 1869.

P. S.—A set of 35 photographs are herewith transmitted.

P. R.

[We published the Government resolution on these papers on Wednesday.]

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